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In re application of:  
CHIN, et al

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
DISTRIBUTED BANDWIDTH  
ALLOCATION FOR A BI-  
DIRECTIONAL RING MEDIA WITH  
SPATIAL AND LOCAL REUSE

Atty. Docket No.: CISCP029C1

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Group: 2664

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Dear Sir:

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449 may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit the list of these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make these references of official record in this application. The above-identified application is a continuation of prior application U.S. Patent Application No. 09/036,539. This prior application is being relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Because

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